Only A Broken Promise.

Dedicated to John Lawrence Starr.

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Andante moderato.

Intro.

mf *p* *p*

To day I found a let - ter that for years had laid a - part It
In fan - cy I can see her as I saw her years a - go But the

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brought me back those happy days of old And as I read each fa - ded line it
love light in her eye shines not for me But tho' my heart is breaking still my

made the tear drops start A se - cret of my past it does un - fold ___ 'Twas
grief she'll nev - er know What might have been a - las can nev - er be ___ I

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but a part - ing mes - sage from a love who prov'd un - true In
toss the let - ter in the fire it ming - les with the flame A

cres - - cen - - do. *mf*

grief I read the let - ter o'er and o'er It
mem - 'ry of a love now lost to me But

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said "Dear Jack I've found a love more dear to me than you And
tho' it crum-bles in the grate her part - ing words re - main I

it is best that we should meet no more.
won - der does that mean she thinks of me.

CHORUS:

Tempo di Valse.

On-ly a brok-en promise Told in a fad-ed line

mf

On-ly an old love let-ter From that old first love of mine

Tho' we had lov'd each oth-er Our paths are sev-er'd now

On-ly a brok-en promise On-ly a brok-en vow